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#### SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

In this manuscript, the authors mainly described admissions to the inpatient psychiatric unit dropped significantly during the COVID-19 pandemic in 2020 and its reasons. Also they proposed how to face these situations. This article presents an essential phenomenon with COVID-19 in the psychiatric field in the Italian cohort. (Minor revisions) 1. The authors should present the result of the PCR test of COVID-19 among 44 patients. 2. You may present the table of 20 item checklists. 3. In table 1, please add the P vale 4. The conclusion is too long. Please describe it more concisely. (i.e. At the same ~ should belong to the discussion.)



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In the manuscript entitled "Rethinking hospital psychiatry in Italy in light of COVID-19 experience" the authors aim to explore those factors that were associated with gross changes in psychiatric admissions in psychiatric unit during Covid-19 Pandemic. The topic seems interesting however, the duration for which the data was retrieved is short (only 3 months). In addition, the study is limited to only a single hospital and therefore its applicability is limited and cannot be generalized. The conclusion drawn by the study is general and is not in line with results. In addition, if the people were allowed for health needs during lockdown, how can this affected the admission during the pandemic? Was availability of money during the pandemic also a factor?